REMARKS

The claims of this application were all rejected in the above-identified

Office Action as being obvious in view of the disclosures of the cited Bullock, Yamagishi,

and Ogawa patents. By this response, however, the two independent claims of the

application, Claims 27 and 37, have been amended and are believed to be patentably
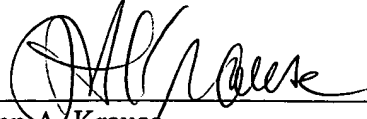
distinct over those rejecting references.

Particularly, both of independent Claims 27 and 37 are now directed to an

image processing system having an image pickup apparatus and an information processing

apparatus, wherein the image pickup apparatus includes a storage unit which stores an

image pickup program for describing how to operate an image pickup action, and the

information processing apparatus reads out the pickup program from the storage unit of the

image pickup apparatus to store the program into a predetermined memory. According to

these features of the claimed invention it is not required that the information processing

apparatus stores in advance a program for controlling the image pickup apparatus. This is

more advantageous in the case that the information processing apparatus is arranged so as

to be connectable to a plurality of image pickup apparatuses of different types.

Applicant respectfully submits that the above-characterized feature of the

present invention is not disclosed in the cited Bullock, Yamagishi, or Ogawa references.

Moreover, these patentable distinctions of the present application are found also in the

patent issued in the parent case related hereto.

For these reasons Applicant solicits the issuance of a formal Notice of

Allowance in this application.

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